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8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

10 NOE GABRIEL GUTIERREZ RAMIREZ,

11 Plaintiff,

No. 2:12-cv-1775 KJN P

12 vs.

13 GARY A. FEES,

14 Defendant.

ORDER

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16 Plaintiff, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, has filed a civil rights action pursuant
17 to 42 U.S.C. § 1983. Plaintiff has neither filed an application to proceed in forma pauperis
18 pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915, nor paid the filing fee for this action.

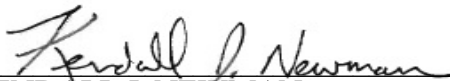
19 The federal venue statute provides that a civil action “may be brought in (1) a
20 judicial district in which any defendant resides, if all defendants are residents of the State in
21 which the district is located, (2) a judicial district in which a substantial part of the events or
22 omissions giving rise to the claim occurred, or a substantial part of property that is the subject of
23 the action is situated, or (3) if there is no district in which an action may otherwise be brought as
24 provided in this action, any judicial district in which any defendant is subject to the court’s
25 personal jurisdiction with respect to such action.” 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).

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1 In this case, the defendant(s) are located and the claim arose in the Central District
2 of California. Therefore, plaintiff's claim should have been filed in the United States District
3 Court for the Central District of California. In the interest of justice, a federal court may transfer
4 a complaint filed in the wrong district to the correct district. See 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a); Starnes v.
5 McGuire, 512 F.2d 918, 932 (D.C. Cir. 1974).

6 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this matter is transferred to the
7 United States District Court for the Central District of California.

8 DATED: July 13, 2012

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11 KENDALL J. NEWMAN
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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